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In re application of:

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For: A METHOD OF MAKING A SANDWICH-TYPE COMPOSITE PANEL

HAVING A HINGE, AND A PANEL OBTAINED BY PERFORMING SUCH

A METHOD

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A copy of each reference listed on the attached Form PTO/SB08A is included herewith. Consideration and entry into the record of these references is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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